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1. Prior to June 1957, the uranium mining enterprise in Hinterkotten (Zd. Chodov), approximately 10 km southwest of Marienbad (Mariánské Lázně), was called "Nationalised Mining Enterprise Joachimsthal, subordinate plant Hinterkotten No 360."
2. Prior to June 1957, the Hinterkotten enterprise was subordinate to the Inspectorate at Marienbad which was subordinate to the main enterprise at Joachimsthal. The Hinterkotten enterprise consisted of 3 shafts; furthermore, 2 trial pits were located in the vicinity. It could, however, not be determined if they were subordinate to the Hinterkotten enterprise. The 3 shafts of the Hinterkotten enterprise were located northwest of Hinterkotten between northern elevation 634 and elevation 570 located south of elevation 634. Shaft No 1 was located approximately 1,300 meters northwest of Hinterkotten. Shaft No 2 was located approximately 1,000 meters northwest of, and Shaft No 3 1,000 meters north-northeast of, Hinterkotten. One trial area was located approximately 1 km north of Shaft No 1 and another is said to be located approximately 1.5 km northwest of Heiligenkreuz (Sv. Kriz). The barracks installation which belonged to the shafts and housed most of the miners, was located approximately 150 meters northwest of Hinterkotten.
3. The 3 shafts and the corresponding administrative buildings were fenced in individually. Each shaft installation measured approximately 100 x 100 m. No common administrative building was available.
4. Shaft No 1 had 6 levels. The first level was at a depth of 60 meters and was already exhausted. The distance between the individual levels amounted to approximately 60 meters. The sixth level was at a depth of 420 meters. Miner's trucks were towed by electric locomotives. The distance between mining places and the shaft amounted up to 1 km. No details are available on Shaft Nos 2 and 3.
5. Five different kinds of ore with following classification were mined: "specialka", "stufna", "acko", "ucko", and "esko". No quantity data are available. The pure pitchblende was called "arschick" and, allegedly, is deposited at a depth of 800 meters. Pitchblende was not mined in Shaft No 1. The classification of the individual kinds of ore was made on the spot. Data on quantities mined are not available.

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6. High-quality ores were packed in metal containers measuring 40 x 40 x 40 cm, and were shipped by trucks from the 3 shafts to Schlaggenwald (Horní Slavkov) near Karlsbad (Karlovy Vary).
7. Approximately 1,500 persons were employed at the 3 shafts. Work was done in 3 shifts.

8. [redacted] a location sketch showing the installations of the uranium mining enterprise.

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Comment. For location sketch of Hinterkotten uranium mining enterprise, see Annex.

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